

Applicant(s)	O'Leary, Robert T.	<p style="text-align: center;"> <u>AMENDMENT</u> <u>AND RESPONSE</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116</u> </p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">RECEIVED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DEC 01 2003</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Technology Center 2600</p>
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Title: DIGITAL RETURN PATH FOR HYBRID FIBER/COAX NETWORK		

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Applicants have reviewed the final Office Action mailed on May 23, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a 3-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from August 23, 2003 to November 23, 2003. Since November 23, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the deadline for response is moved to the next business day of November 24, 2003.

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